Grulla Whim-Whams,

Editor HERALD .- Sir:-The weather is now settled, the thermometer in the nineties and rising, and we have had no rain since my last. I think we are in for a spell of dry weather, though it is a ticklish thing to try and prophesy this year. This is the beginning of the dog days, and we must now be prepared for hot weather.

veston to pay us a visit. He is a Grulla boy.

inhabitant of this village, hight mains were brought to San Antogling cigarettes. The aforesaid Pa-State, and should be more philoso- the body will lie in state until the phical. But he looks upon himself funeral hour Wednesday morning as a martyr, and on his return at 9 o'clock. from town he announced a baile with a discurso by himself. The ball was largely attended, and the oration was a scorcher. Therein he denounced his denouncers, intimated that he knew who they were, 15, 1852 he was ordained a priest and that they were without shame, and a disgrace.

Late that same night one Ponciano, a lineal descendant of the Conquistador of Mexico, called up. joined Bishop Odin and several on the doughty Pablo, and remonstrated with him-with his fist. Pablo was valiant, full of Dutch courage, gained from the distilled juice of the Maguey, and he smote upon his foe. The blows fell thick and fast, the surrounding men applauded, and the fray began to be gory-red-red. Then some compassionate individual, who was after a fee, pulled them apart, and fixed them ready for the juez. Tuesday was the trial, and both succeeding the Hidalgo movement. were fined.

Wednesday the mounted inspectors came again to the rancho, seized upon Pablo and bore him off. He was accused of having a gallon of mezcal in his possesion. I doubt the gallon, as Pablo is a great sampler. He hasn't come back yet, but I guess he is not yet a boarder of the county, as he is a slim individual, where smuggling is many hardships. the charge.

As to wheels. Only a person who has "wheels" can be a competent judge as to the "wheels" of another; and if he has "wheels" he is not a fit person to have round a printing office; therefore, Mr. Editor that is another reason why you should fire that "devil" of yours. Query-Is there any connection between "wheels" and rice-farming?

I send you a little Spanish poem that I came across in an old book of travels. Tis rather sentimental, but very pretty.

> Corazon, porque pretendes Con ese traidor estar? Si el no te tiene amor Deja, Corazon, de amar. -"Pretendo, porque le quise Con el a perseverar, Y aunque el me sea traidor Yo siempre le he de amar."

Cuando mas fino le adores Mira te ha de abandonar; Y para no sentir mucho Deja, Corazon, de amar .-"Bien pudiera a mis finezas Con abandonar pagar; Pero yo siempre constante No puedo dejar de amar."

Ш Hartos consejos te doy Queriendote consolar: Ten presente sus traiciones, Deja, Corazon, de amar .-"En vano son tus consejos, No los quiero ni escuchar; Ciego estoy en su belleza, No puedo dejar de amar."

I understand that corn is selling at 7 bits an almud on the other side. Here it sells at 4 bits.

EL SOLTERO.

July 13, 1903.

PASSING AWAY OF

Died at Castroville Sunday, July 12, Aged 76.-Oldest Priest in Point of Service in Texas.

San Antonio Express:

last survivor of the first missiona-Yesterday Salome Ramirez, son ries who came to Texas after the of Ramon Ramirez, came from Gal- interregnum following the secularization of the Spanish missions working at that Island City, but is incident to the independence of Mexico, died at Castroville Sunday Last Saturday week a certain night at the age of 76. The re-Pablo Olivo, was arrested for smug- nio Monday. At 4 o'clock this afternoon the office of the dead will blo has oft been a boarder of the be said in St. Mary church, where

> Father Parisot was the oldest priest in point of service in Texas. He was born May 20, 1827, at Pambacourt, Department of the Voages, Lorrine, France. On Feb. by Monsignor Desmaznod, the founder of the congregation of Oblates. Shortly after his ordination he went to Paris, where he others who were bound for Texas. The party included Bishop Odin, eighteen seminaries, six Oblates, of which number Father Parisot was C. one, and a lay brother, Peter Roudet, who is now a priest at Eagle Pass. At his death Father Parisot was the sole survivor of this little band of devoted misionaries who came to reclaim a vineyard which had been practically abandoned during the troublous days

They arrived at Galveston May 20, 1852. Father Parisot was chosen to visit the Catholic families which were scattered between Galveston and Nacogdoches. His travels on these visits took him as far East business in Cameron and Hidalgo as Shreveport, La. He also visited counties. the district where Dallas, Fort Worth and other Northern cities were built, undergoing in his work

During the civil war Father Parisot was a Confederate chaplain at Brownsville under General Magruder and H. P. Bee, father of District Attorney Carlos Bee.

He was one of the founders of St. Mary's University at Galveston, and later on he founded St. Joseph's College and the Convent of the Incarnate Word at Brownsville.

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The latter part of his life he spent & at Castroville as chaplain of the 8 convent of the Sisters of Divine 8 Providence. There he has conduct- \$ ed laborious historical investigations and his death interrupted a most valuable work which he was 8 preparing on Texas. He was the author of "Reminiscences of a Texas Missionary," a book which contains his recollections of his life work.

Father Parisot celebrated his fiftieth anniversary as a priest on Feb. 15, 1902, at St. Mary's church, where the body is lying today.

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